## SENATE BILL NO. 693

## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BRATTIN.

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## **AN ACT**

To repeal sections 67.308, 167.181, 210.003, 288.030, and 288.040, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof seven new sections relating to COVID-19 vaccine requirements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 67.308, 167.181, 210.003, 288.030,

- 2 and 288.040, RSMo, are repealed and seven new sections enacted
- 3 in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 67.308, 167.181,
- 4 174.336, 191.234, 210.003, 288.030, and 288.040, to read as
- 5 follows:

67.308. No [county, city, town or village] public or

- 2 private entity in this state receiving public funds or any
- 3 other public accommodation shall require documentation of an
- 4 individual having received a vaccination against COVID-19 in
- 5 order for the individual to access transportation systems
- 6 [or], facilities, services, or any other public
- 7 accommodations. As used in this section, public
- 8 accommodation shall have the same meaning as "places of
- 9 public accommodation" in section 213.010.

167.181. 1. The department of health and senior

- 2 services, after consultation with the department of
- 3 elementary and secondary education, shall promulgate rules
- 4 and regulations governing the immunization against
- 5 poliomyelitis, rubella, rubeola, mumps, tetanus, pertussis,
- 6 diphtheria, and hepatitis B, to be required of children
- 7 attending public, private, parochial or parish schools.

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

8 Such rules and regulations may modify the immunizations that

- 9 are required of children in this subsection. The
- 10 immunizations required and the manner and frequency of their
- 11 administration shall conform to recognized standards of
- 12 medical practice. The department of health and senior
- 13 services shall supervise and secure the enforcement of the
- 14 required immunization program.
- 15 2. It is unlawful for any student to attend school
- 16 unless he has been immunized as required under the rules and
- 17 regulations of the department of health and senior services,
- 18 and can provide satisfactory evidence of such immunization;
- 19 except that if he produces satisfactory evidence of having
- 20 begun the process of immunization, he may continue to attend
- 21 school as long as the immunization process is being
- 22 accomplished in the prescribed manner. It is unlawful for
- 23 any parent or guardian to refuse or neglect to have his
- 24 child immunized as required by this section, unless the
- 25 child is properly exempted.
- 26 3. This section shall not apply to any child if one
- 27 parent or guardian objects in writing to his school
- 28 administrator against the immunization of the child, because
- 29 of religious beliefs or medical contraindications. In cases
- 30 where any such objection is for reasons of medical
- 31 contraindications, a statement from a duly licensed
- 32 physician must also be provided to the school administrator.
- 4. Each school superintendent, whether of a public,
- 34 private, parochial or parish school, shall cause to be
- 35 prepared a record showing the immunization status of every
- 36 child enrolled in or attending a school under his
- 37 jurisdiction. The name of any parent or guardian who
- 38 neglects or refuses to permit a nonexempted child to be
- 39 immunized against diseases as required by the rules and

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40 regulations promulgated pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be reported by the school superintendent to 41 42 the department of health and senior services.

- The immunization required may be done by any duly licensed physician or by someone under his direction. the parent or guardian is unable to pay, the child shall be immunized at public expense by a physician or nurse at or from the county, district, city public health center or a school nurse or by a nurse or physician in the private office or clinic of the child's personal physician with the costs of immunization paid through the state Medicaid program, private insurance or in a manner to be determined by the department of health and senior services subject to state and federal appropriations, and after consultation with the school superintendent and the advisory committee established in section 192.630. When a child receives his or her immunization, the treating physician may also administer the appropriate fluoride treatment to the child's
- Funds for the administration of this section and 59 for the purchase of vaccines for children of families unable 60 to afford them shall be appropriated to the department of 61 health and senior services from general revenue or from 62 federal funds if available. 63
  - 7. No student shall be required, as a condition of school attendance or participation in school-sponsored extracurricular activities, to be immunized against COVID-No school shall require students to undergo COVID-19 diagnostic testing as an alternative to receiving a COVID-19 vaccination.
- 8. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated under the authority of this section shall become effective unless it 71

72 has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter

73 536. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined

- 74 in section 536.010, that is created under the authority
- 75 delegated in this section shall become effective only if it
- 76 complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of
- 77 chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This
- 78 section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the
- 79 powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter
- 80 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove
- 81 and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional,
- 82 then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed
- 83 or adopted after August 28, 2001, shall be invalid and void.
  - 174.336. No public institution of higher education in
- this state shall require any student, whether residing on
- 3 campus or not, to have received a COVID-19 vaccine in order
- 4 to access educational and other services, including, but not
- 5 limited to, in-class attendance, school-sponsored
- 6 extracurricular activities, and access to school buildings
- 7 and facilities. No public institution of higher education
- 8 in this state shall require any student to undergo COVID-19
- 9 diagnostic testing as an alternative to receiving a COVID-19
- 10 vaccination.
  - 191.234. 1. For the purposes of this section,
- 2 "employer" shall mean any person or entity employing any
- 3 person for hire within the state of Missouri, including a
- 4 public employer.
- 5 2. It shall be unlawful for an employer to require an
- 6 employee to receive COVID-19 vaccination as a condition of
- 7 employment without permitting the employee to be exempted
- 8 from such vaccination requirements because of the employee's
- 9 religious or philosophical beliefs, medical condition,

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including pregnancy or future pregnancies, or previous exposure to and recovery from COVID-19.

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- 3. The employer may require the employee seeking the exemption to provide such request in writing. No employer shall require the employee to explain, prove, defend, or otherwise substantiate his or her religious or philosophical beliefs or medical conditions relating to requesting the vaccination exemption.
- 4. The department of health and senior services shall develop a form and make such form available to employers and employees to utilize in requesting a vaccination exemption.
  - 5. No employer shall require an employee who has requested or received a vaccination exemption to undergo COVID-19 diagnostic testing in place of a vaccination.
- 6. In the case of a public employer, any record of vaccinations, exemptions, testing, or other related employee information containing identifying information of the employee shall be considered a closed record under chapter 610.
- 29 7. No employer shall refuse employment, discharge, 30 discipline, retaliate against, fail to promote, or otherwise discriminate against an employee or prospective employee who 31 32 requests a vaccination exemption under this section. 33 prospective, current, or former employee may bring a civil 34 action against an employer for a violation of this section. A prevailing plaintiff shall be entitled to any one or more 35 36 of the following:
- 37 (1) Back pay or reinstatement, with three times the 38 back pay plus fringe benefits or prospective wages and 39 benefits:
- 40 (2) Damages, including punitive and actual damages;
- 41 (3) Injunctive and any other court-approved relief; and

42 (4) Reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

210.003. 1. No child shall be permitted to enroll in

- 2 or attend any public, private or parochial day care center,
- 3 preschool or nursery school caring for ten or more children
- 4 unless such child has been adequately immunized against
- 5 vaccine-preventable childhood illnesses specified by the
- 6 department of health and senior services in accordance with
- 7 recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and
- 8 Prevention Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices
- 9 (ACIP), but not including COVID-19. The parent or guardian
- 10 of such child shall provide satisfactory evidence of the
- 11 required immunizations.
- 12 2. A child who has not completed all immunizations
- 13 appropriate for his or her age may enroll, if:
- 14 (1) Satisfactory evidence is produced that such child
- 15 has begun the process of immunization. The child may
- 16 continue to attend as long as the immunization process is
- 17 being accomplished according to the ACIP/Missouri department
- 18 of health and senior services recommended schedule;
- 19 (2) The parent or guardian has signed and placed on
- 20 file with the day care administrator a statement of
- 21 exemption which may be either of the following:
- 22 (a) A medical exemption, by which a child shall be
- 23 exempted from the requirements of this section upon
- 24 certification by a licensed physician that such immunization
- 25 would seriously endanger the child's health or life; or
- 26 (b) A parent or quardian exemption, by which a child
- 27 shall be exempted from the requirements of this section if
- 28 one parent or guardian files a written objection to
- 29 immunization with the day care administrator; or
- 30 (3) The child is homeless or in the custody of the
- 31 children's division and cannot provide satisfactory evidence

32 of the required immunizations. Satisfactory evidence shall

- 33 be presented within thirty days of enrollment and shall
- 34 confirm either that the child has completed all
- 35 immunizations appropriate for his or her age or has begun
- 36 the process of immunization. If the child has begun the
- 37 process of immunization, he or she may continue to attend as
- 38 long as the process is being accomplished according to the
- 39 schedule recommended by the department of health and senior
- 40 services.
- 41 Exemptions shall be accepted by the day care administrator
- 42 when the necessary information as determined by the
- 43 department of health and senior services is filed with the
- 44 day care administrator by the parent or quardian. Exemption
- 45 forms shall be provided by the department of health and
- 46 senior services.
- 47 3. In the event of an outbreak or suspected outbreak
- 48 of a vaccine-preventable disease within a particular
- 49 facility, the administrator of the facility shall follow the
- 50 control measures instituted by the local health authority or
- 51 the department of health and senior services or both the
- 52 local health authority and the department of health and
- senior services, as established in Rule 19 CSR 20-20.040,
- 54 "Measures for the Control of Communicable, Environmental and
- 55 Occupational Diseases".
- 56 4. The administrator of each public, private or
- 57 parochial day care center, preschool or nursery school shall
- 58 cause to be prepared a record of immunization of every child
- 59 enrolled in or attending a facility under his or her
- 60 jurisdiction. An annual summary report shall be made by
- 61 January fifteenth showing the immunization status of each
- 62 child enrolled, using forms provided for this purpose by the

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department of health and senior services. The immunization records shall be available for review by department of health and senior services personnel upon request.

- 5. For purposes of this section, "satisfactory evidence of immunization" means a statement, certificate or record from a physician or other recognized health facility or personnel, stating that the required immunizations have been given to the child and verifying the type of vaccine and the month, day and year of administration.
- 72 6. Nothing in this section shall preclude any
   73 political subdivision from adopting more stringent rules
   74 regarding the immunization of preschool children.
- 7. All public, private, and parochial day care 75 centers, preschools, and nursery schools shall notify the 76 77 parent or quardian of each child at the time of initial 78 enrollment in or attendance at the facility that the parent 79 or quardian may request notice of whether there are children 80 currently enrolled in or attending the facility for whom an 81 immunization exemption has been filed. Beginning December 1, 2015, all public, private, and parochial day care 82 centers, preschools, and nursery schools shall notify the 83 parent or quardian of each child currently enrolled in or 84 attending the facility that the parent or guardian may 85 request notice of whether there are children currently 86 87 enrolled in or attending the facility for whom an 88 immunization exemption has been filed. Any public, private, 89 or parochial day care center, preschool, or nursery school shall notify the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in 90 or attending the facility, upon request, of whether there 91 are children currently enrolled in or attending the facility 92 for whom an immunization exemption has been filed. 93

288.030. 1. As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the following terms mean:

- 3 (1) "Appeals tribunal", a referee or a body consisting
- 4 of three referees appointed to conduct hearings and make
- 5 decisions on appeals from administrative determinations,
- 6 petitions for reassessment, and claims referred pursuant to
- 7 subsection 2 of section 288.070;
- 8 (2) "Base period", the first four of the last five
- 9 completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the first
- 10 day of an individual's benefit year;
- 11 (3) "Benefit year", the one-year period beginning with
- 12 the first day of the first week with respect to which an
- insured worker first files an initial claim for
- 14 determination of such worker's insured status, and
- thereafter the one-year period beginning with the first day
- 16 of the first week with respect to which the individual,
- 17 providing the individual is then an insured worker, next
- 18 files such an initial claim after the end of the
- 19 individual's last preceding benefit year;
- 20 (4) "Benefits", the money payments payable to an
- 21 insured worker, as provided in this chapter, with respect to
- 22 such insured worker's unemployment;
- 23 (5) "Calendar quarter", the period of three
- 24 consecutive calendar months ending on March thirty-first,
- 25 June thirtieth, September thirtieth, or December thirty-
- 26 first;
- 27 (6) "Claimant", an individual who has filed an initial
- 28 claim for determination of such individual's status as an
- 29 insured worker, a notice of unemployment, a certification
- 30 for waiting week credit, or a claim for benefits;
- 31 (7) "Commission", the labor and industrial relations
- 32 commission of Missouri;

33 (8) "Common paymaster", two or more related
34 corporations in which one of the corporations has been
35 designated to disburse remuneration to concurrently employed
36 individuals of any of the related corporations;

- 37 (9) "Contributions", the money payments to the
  38 unemployment compensation fund required by this chapter,
  39 exclusive of interest and penalties;
- 40 (10) "Decision", a ruling made by an appeals tribunal 41 or the commission after a hearing;
- 42 (11) "Deputy", a representative of the division
  43 designated to make investigations and administrative
  44 determinations on claims or matters of employer liability or
  45 to perform related work;
- 46 (12) "Determination", any administrative ruling made 47 by the division without a hearing;
- 48 (13) "Director", the administrative head of the 49 division of employment security;
- 50 (14) "Division", the division of employment security 51 which administers this chapter;
- "Employing unit", any individual, organization, 52 (15)partnership, corporation, common paymaster, or other legal 53 54 entity, including the legal representatives thereof, which has or, subsequent to June 17, 1937, had in its employ one 55 56 or more individuals performing services for it within this 57 state. All individuals performing services within this 58 state for any employing unit which maintains two or more separate establishments within this state shall be deemed to 59 be employed by a single employing unit for all the purposes 60 of this chapter. Each individual engaged to perform or to 61 assist in performing the work of any person in the service 62 of an employing unit shall be deemed to be engaged by such 63

employing unit for all the purposes of this chapter, whether

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part of the one-stop career system;

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such individual was engaged or paid directly by such employing unit or by such person, provided the employing unit had actual or constructive knowledge of the work;

- 68 (16) "Employment office", a free public employment
  69 office operated by this or any other state as a part of a
  70 state controlled system of public employment offices
  71 including any location designated by the state as being a
- 73 (17) "Equipment", a motor vehicle, straight truck, 74 tractor, semitrailer, full trailer, any combination of these 75 and any other type of equipment used by authorized carriers 76 in the transportation of property for hire;
- 77 (18) "Fund", the unemployment compensation fund 78 established by this chapter;
- 79 (19) "Governmental entity", the state, any political 80 subdivision thereof, any instrumentality of any one or more 81 of the foregoing which is wholly owned by this state and one 82 or more other states or political subdivisions and any 83 instrumentality of this state or any political subdivision 84 thereof and one or more other states or political 85 subdivisions;
- 86 (20) "Initial claim", an application, in a form 87 prescribed by the division, made by an individual for the 88 determination of the individual's status as an insured 89 worker:
- 90 (21) "Insured work", employment in the service of an employer;
- 92 (22) (a) As to initial claims filed after December 93 31, 1990, "insured worker", a worker who has been paid wages 94 for insured work in the amount of one thousand dollars or 95 more in at least one calendar quarter of such worker's base 96 period and total wages in the worker's base period equal to

97 at least one and one-half times the insured wages in that calendar quarter of the base period in which the worker's 98 99 insured wages were the highest, or in the alternative, a 100 worker who has been paid wages in at least two calendar 101 quarters of such worker's base period and whose total base 102 period wages are at least one and one-half times the maximum 103 taxable wage base, taxable to any one employer, in 104 accordance with subsection 2 of section 288.036. For the 105 purposes of this definition, "wages" shall be considered as 106 wage credits with respect to any benefit year, only if such 107 benefit year begins subsequent to the date on which the 108 employing unit by which such wages were paid has become an 109 employer; 110 As to initial claims filed after December 31, (b) 111 2004, wages for insured work in the amount of one thousand two hundred dollars or more, after December 31, 2005, one 112 113 thousand three hundred dollars or more, after December 31, 2006, one thousand four hundred dollars or more, after 114 115 December 31, 2007, one thousand five hundred dollars or more in at least one calendar quarter of such worker's base 116 period and total wages in the worker's base period equal to 117 at least one and one-half times the insured wages in that 118 calendar quarter of the base period in which the worker's 119 120 insured wages were the highest, or in the alternative, a 121 worker who has been paid wages in at least two calendar 122 quarters of such worker's base period and whose total base 123 period wages are at least one and one-half times the maximum 124 taxable wage base, taxable to any one employer, in accordance with subsection 2 of section 288.036; 125 126 "Misconduct", only as the term is used in this 127 chapter, conduct or failure to act in a manner that is connected with work, regardless of whether such conduct or 128

129 failure to act occurs at the workplace or during work hours,

- 130 which shall include:
- 131 (a) Conduct or a failure to act demonstrating knowing
- disregard of the employer's interest or a knowing violation
- of the standards which the employer expects of his or her
- 134 employee;
- (b) Conduct or a failure to act demonstrating
- 136 carelessness or negligence in such degree or recurrence as
- 137 to manifest culpability, wrongful intent, or a knowing
- 138 disregard of the employer's interest or of the employee's
- 139 duties and obligations to the employer;
- 140 (c) A violation of an employer's no-call, no-show
- 141 policy; chronic absenteeism or tardiness in violation of a
- 142 known policy of the employer; or two or more unapproved
- 143 absences following a written reprimand or warning relating
- 144 to an unapproved absence unless such absences are protected
- 145 by law;
- 146 (d) A knowing violation of a state standard or
- 147 regulation by an employee of an employer licensed or
- 148 certified by the state, which would cause the employer to be
- 149 sanctioned or have its license or certification suspended or
- 150 revoked; or
- 151 (e) A violation of an employer's rule, unless the
- 152 employee can demonstrate that:
- a. He or she did not know, and could not reasonably
- 154 know, of the rule's requirements;
- b. The rule is not lawful; or
- 156 c. The rule is not fairly or consistently enforced;
- 157 Misconduct shall not include failure to receive a
- 158 vaccination against COVID-19 if doing so would violate the

employee's religious or philosophical beliefs or if a vaccine is medically contraindicated for the employee;

- 161 (24) "Referee", a representative of the division 162 designated to serve on an appeals tribunal;
- 163 (25) "State" includes, in addition to the states of 164 the United States of America, the District of Columbia, 165 Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the Dominion of Canada;
- 166 (26) "Temporary employee", an employee assigned to 167 work for the clients of a temporary help firm;
- 168 (27) "Temporary help firm", a firm that hires its own
  169 employees and assigns them to clients to support or
  170 supplement the clients' workforce in work situations such as
  171 employee absences, temporary skill shortages, seasonal
  172 workloads, and special assignments and projects;
- 173 (28) (a) An individual shall be deemed "totally
  174 unemployed" in any week during which the individual performs
  175 no services and with respect to which no wages are payable
  176 to such individual;
- 177 (b) a. An individual shall be deemed "partially
  178 unemployed" in any week of less than full-time work if the
  179 wages payable to such individual for such week do not equal
  180 or exceed the individual's weekly benefit amount plus twenty
  181 dollars;
- b. Effective for calendar year 2007 and each year
  thereafter, an individual shall be deemed "partially
  unemployed" in any week of less than full-time work if the
  wages payable to such individual for such week do not equal
  or exceed the individual's weekly benefit amount plus twenty
  dollars or twenty percent of his or her weekly benefit
  amount, whichever is greater;
- 189 (c) An individual's "week of unemployment" shall begin 190 the first day of the calendar week in which the individual

191 registers at an employment office except that, if for good

192 cause the individual's registration is delayed, the week of

193 unemployment shall begin the first day of the calendar week

- in which the individual would have otherwise registered.
- 195 The requirement of registration may by regulation be
- 196 postponed or eliminated in respect to claims for partial
- 197 unemployment or may by regulation be postponed in case of a
- 198 mass layoff due to a temporary cessation of work;
- 199 (29) "Waiting week", the first week of unemployment
- 200 for which a claim is allowed in a benefit year or if no
- 201 waiting week has occurred in a benefit year in effect on the
- 202 effective date of a shared work plan, the first week of
- 203 participation in a shared work unemployment compensation
- program pursuant to section 288.500.
- 20. The Missouri average annual wage shall be computed
- as of June thirtieth of each year, and shall be applicable
- 207 to the following calendar year. The Missouri average annual
- 208 wage shall be calculated by dividing the total wages
- 209 reported as paid for insured work in the preceding calendar
- 210 year by the average of mid-month employment reported by
- 211 employers for the same calendar year. The Missouri average
- 212 weekly wage shall be computed by dividing the Missouri
- 213 average annual wage as computed in this subsection by fifty-
- 214 two.
  - 288.040. 1. A claimant who is unemployed and has been
  - 2 determined to be an insured worker shall be eligible for
  - 3 benefits for any week only if the deputy finds that:
  - 4 (1) The claimant has registered for work at and
  - 5 thereafter has continued to report at an employment office
  - 6 in accordance with such regulations as the division may
  - 7 prescribe;

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8 (2)The claimant is able to work and is available for 9 work. No person shall be deemed available for work unless 10 such person has been and is actively and earnestly seeking Upon the filing of an initial or renewed claim, and 11 prior to the filing of each weekly claim thereafter, the 12 deputy shall notify each claimant of the number of work 13 14 search contacts required to constitute an active search for 15 work. Unless the deputy directs otherwise, a claimant shall make a minimum of three work search contacts during any week 16 17 for which he or she claims benefits. No person shall be considered not available for work, pursuant to this 18 subdivision, solely because he or she is a substitute 19 20 teacher or is on jury duty. A claimant shall not be determined to be ineligible pursuant to this subdivision 21 because of not actively and earnestly seeking work if: 22 23 The claimant is participating in training approved 24 pursuant to Section 236 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, (19 U.S.C.A. Sec. 2296, as amended); 25 26 The claimant is temporarily unemployed through no fault of his or her own and has a definite recall date 27 within eight weeks of his or her first day of unemployment; 28 however, upon application of the employer responsible for 29 the claimant's unemployment, such eight-week period may be 30 31 extended not to exceed a total of sixteen weeks at the 32 discretion of the director; 33 The claimant has reported to an office of the 34 division as directed by the deputy, but at least once every four weeks, except that a claimant shall be exempted from 35 the reporting requirement of this subdivision if: 36 37 The claimant is claiming benefits in accordance with division regulations dealing with partial or temporary 38

40 (b) The claimant is temporarily unemployed through no 41 fault of his or her own and has a definite recall date 42 within eight weeks of his or her first day of unemployment;

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- The director of the division of employment (C) 44 security has determined that the claimant belongs to a group 45 or class of workers whose opportunities for reemployment 46 47 will not be enhanced by reporting, or is prevented from reporting due to emergency conditions that limit access by 48 49 the general public to an office that serves the area where the claimant resides, but only during the time such 50 circumstances exist. 51
- Ineligibility pursuant to this subdivision shall begin on the first day of the week which the claimant was scheduled to claim and shall end on the last day of the week preceding the week during which the claimant does report to the division's office;
  - (4) Prior to the first week of a period of total or partial unemployment for which the claimant claims benefits he or she has been totally or partially unemployed for a waiting period of one week. No more than one waiting week will be required in any benefit year. During calendar year 2008 and each calendar year thereafter, the one-week waiting period shall become compensable once his or her remaining balance on the claim is equal to or less than the compensable amount for the waiting period. No week shall be counted as a week of total or partial unemployment for the purposes of this subsection unless it occurs within the benefit year which includes the week with respect to which

the claimant claims benefits;

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- 70 (5) The claimant has made a claim for benefits within 71 fourteen days from the last day of the week being claimed. 72 The fourteen-day period may, for good cause, be extended to 73 twenty-eight days;
- The claimant has reported to an employment office 74 75 to participate in a reemployment assessment and reemployment services as directed by the deputy or designated staff of an 76 77 employment office, unless the deputy determines that good cause exists for the claimant's failure to participate in 78 79 such reemployment assessment and reemployment services. For purposes of this section, "reemployment services" may 80 include, but not be limited to, the following: 81
- 82 (a) Providing an orientation to employment office83 services;
  - (b) Providing job search assistance; and
- 85 (c) Providing labor market statistics or analysis;
- Ineligibility under this subdivision shall begin on the
  first day of the week which the claimant was scheduled to
  report for the reemployment assessment or reemployment
  services and shall end on the last day of the week preceding
  the week during which the claimant does report in person to
  the employment office for such reemployment assessment or
  reemployment services;
- 93 (7) The claimant is participating in reemployment
  94 services, such as job search assistance services, as
  95 directed by the deputy if the claimant has been determined
  96 to be likely to exhaust regular benefits and to need
  97 reemployment services pursuant to a profiling system
  98 established by the division, unless the deputy determines
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100 (a) The individual has completed such reemployment 101 services; or

- 102 (b) There is justifiable cause for the claimant's 103 failure to participate in such reemployment services.
  - 2. A claimant who is unemployed due to being discharged from employment for failure to receive a vaccination against COVID-19 shall not be ineligible for benefits if the claimant failed to receive such vaccination because doing so would violate the claimant's religious or philosophical beliefs or if the vaccine is medically contraindicated for the claimant.
- 3. A claimant shall be ineligible for waiting week credit or benefits for any week for which the deputy finds he or she is or has been suspended by his or her most recent employer for misconduct connected with his or her work. Suspensions of four weeks or more shall be treated as discharges.
- 117 [3.] 4. (1) Benefits based on "service in

  118 employment", described in subsections 7 and 8 of section

  119 288.034, shall be payable in the same amount, on the same

  120 terms and subject to the same conditions as compensation

  121 payable on the basis of other service subject to this law;

  122 except that:
- 123 (a) With respect to service performed in an 124 instructional, research, or principal administrative 125 capacity for an educational institution, benefits shall not 126 be paid based on such services for any week of unemployment commencing during the period between two successive academic 127 years or terms, or during a similar period between two 128 129 regular but not successive terms, or during a period of paid 130 sabbatical leave provided for in the individual's contract, to any individual if such individual performs such services 131

in the first of such academic years (or terms) and if there

- is a contract or a reasonable assurance that such individual
- 134 will perform services in any such capacity for any
- 135 educational institution in the second of such academic years
- 136 or terms;
- 137 (b) With respect to services performed in any capacity
- 138 (other than instructional, research, or principal
- 139 administrative capacity) for an educational institution,
- 140 benefits shall not be paid on the basis of such services to
- 141 any individual for any week which commences during a period
- 142 between two successive academic years or terms if such
- individual performs such services in the first of such
- 144 academic years or terms and there is a contract or a
- 145 reasonable assurance that such individual will perform such
- 146 services in the second of such academic years or terms;
- 147 (c) With respect to services described in paragraphs
- 148 (a) and (b) of this subdivision, benefits shall not be paid
- on the basis of such services to any individual for any week
- 150 which commences during an established and customary vacation
- 151 period or holiday recess if such individual performed such
- 152 services in the period immediately before such vacation
- 153 period or holiday recess, and there is reasonable assurance
- 154 that such individual will perform such services immediately
- 155 following such vacation period or holiday recess;
- 156 (d) With respect to services described in paragraphs
- 157 (a) and (b) of this subdivision, benefits payable on the
- 158 basis of services in any such capacity shall be denied as
- 159 specified in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this
- 160 subdivision to any individual who performed such services at
- 161 an educational institution while in the employ of an
- 162 educational service agency, and for this purpose the term
- "educational service agency means a governmental agency or

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governmental entity which is established and operated
exclusively for the purpose of providing such services to
one or more educational institutions.

- If compensation is denied for any week pursuant to 167 paragraph (b) or (d) of subdivision (1) of this subsection 168 169 to any individual performing services at an educational 170 institution in any capacity (other than instructional, 171 research or principal administrative capacity), and such 172 individual was not offered an opportunity to perform such 173 services for the second of such academic years or terms, 174 such individual shall be entitled to a retroactive payment of the compensation for each week for which the individual 175 176 filed a timely claim for compensation and for which 177 compensation was denied solely by reason of paragraph (b) or 178 (d) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.
- [4.] 5. (1) A claimant shall be ineligible for waiting week credit, benefits or shared work benefits for any week for which he or she is receiving or has received remuneration exceeding his or her weekly benefit amount or shared work benefit amount in the form of:
  - (a) Compensation for temporary partial disability pursuant to the workers' compensation law of any state or pursuant to a similar law of the United States;
  - (b) A governmental or other pension, retirement or retired pay, annuity, or other similar periodic payment which is based on the previous work of such claimant to the extent that such payment is provided from funds provided by a base period or chargeable employer pursuant to a plan maintained or contributed to by such employer; but, except for such payments made pursuant to the Social Security Act or the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 (or the corresponding provisions of prior law), the provisions of this paragraph

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shall not apply if the services performed for such employer by the claimant after the beginning of the base period (or remuneration for such services) do not affect eligibility for or increase the amount of such pension, retirement or retired pay, annuity or similar payment.

- (2) If the remuneration referred to in this subsection is less than the benefits which would otherwise be due, the claimant shall be entitled to receive for such week, if otherwise eligible, benefits reduced by the amount of such remuneration, and, if such benefit is not a multiple of one dollar, such amount shall be lowered to the next multiple of one dollar.
- 208 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (1)
  209 and (2) of this subsection, if a claimant has contributed in
  210 any way to the Social Security Act or the Railroad
  211 Retirement Act of 1974, or the corresponding provisions of
  212 prior law, no part of the payments received pursuant to such
  213 federal law shall be deductible from the amount of benefits
  214 received pursuant to this chapter.
- [5.] 6. A claimant shall be ineligible for waiting
  week credit or benefits for any week for which or a part of
  which he or she has received or is seeking unemployment
  benefits pursuant to an unemployment insurance law of
  another state or the United States; provided, that if it be
  finally determined that the claimant is not entitled to such
  unemployment benefits, such ineligibility shall not apply.
- [6.] 7. (1) A claimant shall be ineligible for waiting week credit or benefits for any week for which the deputy finds that such claimant's total or partial unemployment is due to a stoppage of work which exists because of a labor dispute in the factory, establishment or other premises in which such claimant is or was last

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228 employed. In the event the claimant secures other 229 employment from which he or she is separated during the 230 existence of the labor dispute, the claimant must have obtained bona fide employment as a permanent employee for at 231 232 least the major part of each of two weeks in such subsequent 233 employment to terminate his or her ineligibility. If, in 234 any case, separate branches of work which are commonly 235 conducted as separate businesses at separate premises are 236 conducted in separate departments of the same premises, each 237 such department shall for the purposes of this subsection be 238 deemed to be a separate factory, establishment or other 239 premises. This subsection shall not apply if it is shown to 240 the satisfaction of the deputy that:

- (a) The claimant is not participating in or financing or directly interested in the labor dispute which caused the stoppage of work; and
- of workers of which, immediately preceding the commencement of the stoppage, there were members employed at the premises at which the stoppage occurs, any of whom are participating in or financing or directly interested in the dispute.
- 249 "Stoppage of work" as used in this subsection (2) 250 means a substantial diminution of the activities, production 251 or services at the establishment, plant, factory or premises 252 of the employing unit. This definition shall not apply to a 253 strike where the employees in the bargaining unit who 254 initiated the strike are participating in the strike. employees shall not be eligible for waiting week credit or 255 benefits during the period when the strike is in effect, 256 regardless of diminution, unless the employer has been found 257 258 guilty of an unfair labor practice by the National Labor

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Relations Board or a federal court of law for an act or 259 260 actions preceding or during the strike.

- [7.] 8. On or after January 1, 1978, benefits shall not be paid to any individual on the basis of any services, 262 substantially all of which consist of participating in 263 264 sports or athletic events or training or preparing to so 265 participate, for any week which commences during the period between two successive sport seasons (or similar periods) if 266 such individual performed such services in the first of such 267 268 seasons (or similar periods) and there is a reasonable assurance that such individual will perform such services in 270 the later of such seasons (or similar periods).
- [8.] 9. Benefits shall not be payable on the basis of 271 272 services performed by an alien, unless such alien is an 273 individual who was lawfully admitted for permanent residence 274 at the time such services were performed, was lawfully 275 present for purposes of performing such services, or was permanently residing in the United States under color of law 276 277 at the time such services were performed (including an alien who was lawfully present in the United States as a result of 278 279 the application of the provisions of Section 212(d)(5) of 280 the Immigration and Nationality Act).
  - Any data or information required of individuals applying for benefits to determine whether benefits are not payable to them because of their alien status shall be uniformly required from all applicants for benefits.
- 285 (2)In the case of an individual whose application for benefits would otherwise be approved, no determination that 286 benefits to such individual are not payable because of such 287 288 individual's alien status shall be made except upon a preponderance of the evidence. 289

[9.] 10. A claimant shall be ineligible for waiting week credit or benefits for any week such claimant has an outstanding penalty which was assessed based upon an overpayment of benefits, as provided for in subsection 9 of section 288.380.

[10.] 11. The directors of the division of employment security and the division of workforce development shall submit to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the president pro tem of the senate no later than October 15, 2006, a report outlining their recommendations for how to improve work search verification and claimant reemployment activities. The recommendations shall include, but not limited to how to best utilize "greathires.org", and how to reduce the average duration of unemployment insurance claims. Each calendar year thereafter, the directors shall submit a report containing their recommendations on these issues by December thirty-first of each year.

[11.] 12. For purposes of this section, a claimant may satisfy reporting requirements provided under this section by reporting by internet communication or any other means deemed acceptable by the division of employment security.

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